



**U.S. Citizenship
and Immigration
Services**

Control Number: COW2021003673

June 13, 2024

Austin Evers
American Oversight
1030 15th St. NW., Ste. B255
Washington, DC 20005

Dear Austin Evers:

This is in response to your Freedom of Information Act/Privacy Act (FOIA/PA) request received in this office on March 29, 2021 DOJ Referral 145-FOI-17365.

We have considered the foreseeable harm standard when reviewing the record set and have applied the FOIA exemptions as required by the statute and the Attorney General's guidance. We have completed the review of all documents and have identified 2 pages that are responsive to your request. Enclosed are 2 pages released in part. We have reviewed and have determined to release all information except those portions that are exempt pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 552 (b)(6) of the FOIA.

The following exemptions are applicable:

Exemption (b)(6) permits the government to withhold all information about individuals in personnel, medical and similar files where the disclosure of such information would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. The types of documents and/or information that we have withheld may consist of birth certificates, naturalization certificates, drivers' licenses, social security numbers, home addresses, dates of birth, or various other documents and/or information belonging to a third party that are considered personal.

There may be additional documents that contain discretionary releases of exempt information. If made, these releases are specifically identified in the responsive record. These discretionary releases do not waive our ability to invoke applicable FOIA exemptions for similar or related information in the future.

The enclosed record consists of the best reproducible copies available. Certain pages contain marks that appear to be blacked-out information. The black marks were made prior to our receipt of the file and are not information we have withheld under the provisions of the FOIA or PA.

You have the right to file an administrative appeal within 90 days of the date of this letter. By filing an appeal, you preserve your rights under FOIA and give the agency a chance to review and reconsider your request and the agency's decision. You may file an administrative FOIA appeal by mail to USCIS FOIA/PA Appeals Office, 150 Space Center Loop, Suite 500, Lee's Summit, MO 64064-2139. Both the letter and the envelope should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

If you would like to discuss our response before filing an appeal to attempt to resolve your dispute without going through the appeals process, you may contact our USCIS FOIA Public Liaison at U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, National Records Center, FOIA/PA Office, P.O. Box 648010, Lee's Summit, MO 64064-8010, or by email at FOIAPAQuestions@uscis.dhs.gov.

A USCIS FOIA Public Liaison is an agency official to whom FOIA requesters can raise concerns about the service the requester has received from the agency's FOIA Office. USCIS FOIA Public Liaisons are responsible for assisting in reducing delays, increasing transparency, and understanding of the status of requests, and assisting in the resolution of disputes.

If you are unable to resolve your FOIA dispute through our USCIS FOIA Public Liaison, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about the FOIA mediation services they offer. The contact information for OGIS is Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001; email ogis@nara.gov; telephone 202-741-5770; toll free 877-684-6448; or facsimile 202-741-5769.

The National Records Center does not process petitions, applications, or any other type of benefit under the Immigration and Nationality Act. If you have questions or wish to submit documentation relating to a matter pending with USCIS, please visit the Contact Us page at www.uscis.gov or call the USCIS Contact Center at 800-375-5283 (TTY 800-767-1833).

How to Submit Questions or Changes

Questions concerning this FOIA/PA request may be mailed to U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, National Records Center, FOIA/PA Office, P.O. Box 648010, Lee's Summit, MO 64064-8010 or emailed to FOIAPAQuestions@uscis.dhs.gov. All FOIA/PA related requests, including address changes must be submitted in writing, and signed by the requester. Please include the control number listed above on all correspondence. For more information regarding the USCIS FOIA Program, please visit the USCIS website at www.uscis.gov/FOIA.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jarrod T Panter". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Jarrod" being more prominent than the last name "Panter".

Jarrod T Panter
Acting Chief FOIA Officer
Freedom of Information Act & Privacy Act Unit

Enclosure(s)

From: Stewart, Scott G. (CIV) </O=EXCHANGELABS/OU=EXCHANGE ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=92182393664F45AEAC9E75140BB78B93-STEWARD, SC>
Sent: Wednesday, March 11, 2020 1:03 PM (b)(6)
To: Canter, Nancy K [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: New Denatz Unit at OIL

Thanks, Nancy—you too!

On Mar 11, 2020, at 10:46 AM, Canter, Nancy K [REDACTED] wrote:

Hi Scott, in light of recent instruction to limit non-essential travel, my trip to DC has been postponed until May – right before Memorial Day. I'll reach out in early May to see if you're available. Thanks (and stay healthy)!

From: Stewart, Scott G. (CIV) [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, February 28, 2020 4:42 PM
To: Canter, Nancy K [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: New Denatz Unit at OIL

Thanks for reaching out, Nancy—it's good to hear from you. Can we try to connect when you're in town? I hope your work is going well on the west coast.

From: Canter, Nancy K [REDACTED] >
Sent: Thursday, February 27, 2020 5:37 PM
To: Stewart, Scott G. (CIV) [REDACTED] >
Subject: New Denatz Unit at OIL

Dear Scott,

We met a few years ago, shortly after you arrived at DOJ and while I was still at OIL. We share some mutual friends, including [REDACTED]

I wanted to reach out to you about the new denaturalization section being created within OIL [REDACTED]

I would like to assist in setting up the new "third OIL." [REDACTED]

Thanks,

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Nancy

Nancy K. Canter

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